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SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS: POST-MEETING DISCUSSIONS, MARCH 19, 1974

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1. SUMMARY. POST-MEETING CONVERSATIONS PRODUCED LITTLE SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT BY MEMBERS OF SOVIET DELEGATION, BUT THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION OF ICBM MIRVS, SOVIET INSTRUCTIONS AND FBS. END SUMMARY.

2. ICBM MIRVS. BROWN EXPRESSED THE HOPE (TO SHCHUKIN A-573) THAT THE SOVIET DELEGATION, BUT PARTICULARLY SHCHUKIN, HAD TRANSMITTED THE MAIN POINTS PRESENTED BY THE U.S. TO MOSCOW. ICBM MIRVS ARE WHAT SEEMED TO THE U.S. SIDE TO BE THE MOST IMPORTANT AND URGENT MATTER. BROWN SAID THAT ON A PERSONAL BASIS HE HOPED SHCHUKIN COULD MAKE HIS OWN VIEWS KNOWN IN MOSCOW, IN PERSON IF POSSIBLE.

3. SHCHUKIN REPLIED THAT HE HAD MADE HIS VIEWS KNOWN IN WRITING, AND HAD TRANSMITTED WHAT HAD BEEN SAID TO HIM BY MEMBERS OF THE U.S. DELEGATION, NOT WORD FOR WORD BUT HE THOUGHT QUITE ACCURATELY. HE THOUGHT HE HAD THE ADVANTAGE OF NOT BEING PART OF ANY "INTERESTED GROUP" WITHIN THE USSR.

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HE EXPECTED TO BE STAYING IN GENEVA FOR THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO,

THOUGH FOR PERSONAL REASONS HE WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO BE  
ABLE TO SPEND MORE TIME IN MOSCOW.

4. SOVIET INSTRUCTIONS. KLOSSON ASKED (GRINEVSKY A-572)  
WHETHER SEMENOV'S STATEMENT TODAY HAD BEEN PREPARED IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH SOVIET STANDING INSTRUCTIONS OR WHETHER IT  
HAD REFLECTED ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FROM MOSCOW.  
GRINEVSKY REPLIED THAT THE SOVIET SIDE HAD BEEN GUIDED ONLY  
BY ITS GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS. KLOSSON ALSO ASKED IF NEW  
INSTRUCTIONS WERE TO BE ISSUED TO THE SOVIET DELEGATION  
FOLLOWING THE SECRETARY'S VISIT, WHAT TIME PERIOD DID HE  
ENVISAGE WOULD BE REQUIRED. GRINEVSKY REPLIED THAT HE DID  
NOT FORESEE THE NECESSITY FOR ANY LONG DELAY. HE SAID IN  
SALT ONE SEMENOV HAD RETURNED TO MOSCOW ON ONE OR TWO  
OCCASIONS WHILE THE SOVIET DELEGATION REMAINED IN PLACE. IF  
SEMENOV SHOULD GO TO MOSCOW THIS TIME, GRINEVSKY EXPRESSED THE  
DESIRE TO BE ABLE TO ACCOMPANY HIM.

5. FBS. WITH RESPECT TO THE SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR THE WITH-  
DRAWAL OF AMERICAN FORCES AND THE LIQUIDATION OF BASES,  
KLOSSON NOTED (TO GRINEVSKY A-572) THAT THE SOVIET  
INTERPRETER TODAY HAD TRANSLATED THE RUSSIAN PHRASE  
"PRINTSIPAL'NYI VOPROS" AS "QUESTION OF  
PRINCIPLE," AND RECALLED THE DIFFERENCE IN ENGLISH BETWEEN  
"PRINCIPLE" AND "PRINCIPAL." GRINEVSKY SAID THE TRANSLATION  
SHOULD HAVE BEEN "FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION" RATHER THAN "QUESTION  
OF PRINCIPLE."

6. DURING CONVERSATION WITH ROWNY (A-571), TRUSOV  
SAID HE THOUGHT THE SIDES SHOULD DEAL WITH FBS IN SALT  
RATHER THAN IN MBFR. JOHNSON

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